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Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 2nd plenary meeting, on 16 September 2011, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its sixty-sixth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Fifth Committee considered the item at its 31st and 38th meetings, on 7 May and 12 June 2012. Statements and observations made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/66/SR.31 and 38).

3. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011 (A/66/609);

(b) Report of the Secretary-General on the budget for the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013 (A/66/711);

(c) Related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/66/718/Add.8).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.47

4. At its 38th meeting, on 12 June, the Committee had before it a draft resolution entitled "Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste"

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(A/C.5/66/L.47), submitted by the Chair of the Committee on the basis of informal consultations coordinated by the representative of Saudi Arabia.

5. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.5/66/L.47 without a vote (see para. 6).

III. Recommendation of the Fifth Committee

6. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1704 (2006) of 25 August 2006, by which the Council decided to establish a follow-on mission in Timor-Leste, the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste, for an initial period of six months, with the intention to renew it for further periods, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2037 (2012) of 23 February 2012, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 31 December 2012,

Recalling also its resolutions 61/249 A of 22 December 2006 and 61/249 B of 2 April 2007 on the financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste, and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 65/297 of 30 June 2011,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the necessary financial resources to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011 and 66/_____ of _____ June 2012, as well as other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste as at 30 April 2012, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 30.4 million United States dollars, representing some 3 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only fifty-three Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses* its appreciation to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every

[1] A/66/609 and A/66/711.

[2] A/66/718/Add.8.

possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289 and 66/___;

10. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011

11. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011;[3]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013

12. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste the amount of 162,212,100 dollars for the period from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2013, inclusive of 155,429,000 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 6,431,900 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 351,200 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

Financing of the appropriation

13. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 78,393,550 dollars for the period from 1 July to 31 December 2012 in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249 of 24 December 2009, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2012, as set out in its resolution 64/248 of 24 December 2009;

[3] A/66/609.

14. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 3,397,250 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,006,400 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 322,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 68,250 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

15. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 83,818,550 dollars for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2013, at a monthly rate of 13,969,758 dollars, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2013,[4] subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

16. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 15 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund in the amount of 3,397,250 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 3,006,400 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 322,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 68,250 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

17. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 13 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 19,534,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 64/249, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2011, as set out in its resolution 64/248;

18. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 19,534,900 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 17 above;

19. *Also decides* that the decrease of 5,600 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2011 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 19,534,900 dollars referred to in paragraphs 17 and 18 above;

20. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

21. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

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[4] To be adopted by the General Assembly.

22. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

23. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-seventh session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste".